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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, DALLAS, TEXAS, NOVEMBER TWENTYTWO, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE. MISC - INFO CONCERNING. OO-DALLAS.

RE NEW ORLEANS TELETYPES FEBRUARY TWELVE INSTANT.

THE FINAL EDITION OF THE NEW ORLEANS STATES-ITEM NEWSPAPER FOR FEBRUARY TWELVE INSTANT AND THE FEBRUARY THIRTEEN INSTANT ISSUE OF THE NEW ORLEANS TIMES PICAYUNE NEWSPAPER CARRIED ARTICLES REGARDING THE TESTIOMONY ON FEBRUARY TWELVE INSTANT BY ASSISTANT D. A. ANDREW SCIAMBRA.

UPON BEING QUESTIONED BY THE PROSECUTION, SCIAMBRA TESTIFIED THAT HE WENT TO BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA, ON FEBRUARY TWENTYFIVE, NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN, AND INTERVIEWED PERRY RAYMOND RUSSO AT RUSSO'S APARTMENT. THIS INTERVIEW LASTED FROM TWO TO TWO AND ONE HALF HOURS AND DURING THE COURSE OF THE INTERVIEW MANY PERSONS ENTERED RUSSO'S APARTMENT AND STAYED A SHORT WHILE AND THEN LEFT. SCIAMBRA TESTIFIED HE TOOK VERY FEW NOTES DURING THIS INTERVIEW AND THAT THESE NOTES CONSISTED OF APPROXIMATELY THREE PAGES OF LEGAL SIZE PAPER AND CONTAINED NAMES OF INDIVIDUALS AND SOME TELEPHONE NUMBERS.

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SCIAMBRA TESTIFIED THAT DURING THE INTERVIEW HE EXHIBITED RUSSO ABOUT FORTY PHOTOGRAPHS DURING WHICH RUSSO IDENTIFIED A GRAPH OF LEE HARVEY OSWALD AS A PERSON HE KNEW BY THE NAME OF OSWALD.

AT THIS POINT THE DEFENSE OBJECTED AND REQUESTED THAT THE PROSECUTION PRODUCE ALL PHOTOGRAPHS SHOWN RUSSO AND DECLARED T QUOTE IF PARTICULAR PHOTOGRAPHS WERE SEPARATED FROM A NUMBER (OTHER PHOTOGRAPHS THE JURY IS ENTITLED TO KNOW AND SEE THE OTI PHOTOGRAPHS UNQUOTE. JUDGE HAGGERTY RULED THAT SCIAMBRA COUL IDENTIFY THE PICTURES RUSSO HAD IDENTIFIED AND THE DEFENSE IMMEDIATELY FILED A BILL OF EXCEPTION.

SCIAMBRA TESTIFIED THAT AFTER THIS INTERVIEW WITH RUSSO RETURNED TO NEW ORLEANS AND WENT TO THE RESIDENCE OF D.A. GAF AND INFORMED GARRISON OF THE RESULTS OF THE INTERVIEW. THE M TIME HE SAW RUSSO WAS ON FEBRUARY TWENTYSEVEN, NINETEEN SIXTY IN THE D.A.'S OFFICE IN NEW ORLEANS. HE TESTIFIED THAT LATEI SAME DAY HE, ASSISTANT D.A. ALVIN OSER, DR. NICHOLAS CHETTA RUSSO TO MERCY HOSPITAL IN NEW ORLEANS WHERE RUSSO WAS ADMIN SODIUM PENTOTHAL. OSER TOOK NOTES OF THE QUESTIONS AND ANSWE

GAVE WHILE UNDER SODIUM PENTOTHAL AND AFTERWARDS THESE NOTES WERE COMMITTED TO WRITING BY OSER AND SCIAMBRA BY DICTATING TO A D.A.'S SECRETARY, ON FEBRUARY TWENTYEIGHT NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN.

IN REGARD TO COMMITTING HIS NOTES MADE DURING HIS INITIAL INTERVIEW OF RUSSO AT BATON ROUGE TO WRITING, SCIAMBRA TESTIFIED HE STARTED TO DICTATE HIS MEMORANDUM ON FEBRUARY TWENTYSEVEN, NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN, BUT DID NOT COMPLETE HIS MEMORANDUM UNTIL SEVEN TO TEN DAYS LATER. HE TESTIFIED THE REASON IT TOOK HIM THIS LENGTH OF TIME WAS BECAUSE THERE WERE MANY THINGS GOING ON DURING THIS PERIOD AND THAT HE WAS ONLY ABLE TO DICTATE TO A SECRETARY IN BITS AND PIECES AND IT TOOK HIM APPROXIMATELY FOUR OR FIVE SESSIONS WITH A SECRETARY TO COMPLETE HIS MEMORANDUM.

SCIAMBRA TESTIFIED THAT THE FIRST MEMORANDUM HE COMPLETED WAS THE ONE WHICH HE AND ASSISTANT D.A. OSER DICTATED AFTER THE SODIUM PENTOTHAL HAD BEEN ADMINISTERED TO RUSSO.

SCIAMBRA TESTIFIED THAT HIS MEMORANDUM SETTING FORTH THE RESULTS OF HIS INTERVIEW WITH RUSSO AT BATON ROUGE QUOTE WAS HASTILY DONE, IT IS INCOMPLETE, INACCURATE AND THERE ARE OMMISSIONS IN IT UNQUOTE. SCIAMBRA TESTIFIED THAT HE IS QUOTE A LOUSY MEMO

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WRITER UNQUOTE.

OVER STRENUOUS OBJECTIONS BY THE DEFENSE, SCIAMBRA WAS ALLOWED TO INTERPRET HOW ERRORS CAME TO BE IN HIS MEMORANDUM REPORTING HIS INITIAL INTERVIEW WITH RUSSO.

UPON CROSS EXAMINATION BY THE DEFENSE, SCIAMBRA TESTIFIED THE REASON THERE WERE NUMEROUS QUOTE DISCREPANCIES UNQUOTE IN HIS MEMORANDUM WAS BECAUSE THIS MEMORANDUM WAS SIMPLY HIS QUOTE INTERPRETATION UNQUOTE OF WHAT RUSSO TOLD HIM.

WHEN ASKED BY THE DEFENSE WHY THERE WAS NO MENTION IN THIS MEMORANDUM OF THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION, SCIAMBRA ADMITTED THERE WAS ONLY AN QUOTE INDIRECT UNQUOTE MENTION OF THE ASSASSINATION. SCIAMBRA EXPLAINED THAT WHEN HE WENT TO BATON ROUGE TO INTERVIEW RUSSO HE WAS QUOTE CERTAINLY AWARE OF THE CONTENT UNQUOTE OF WHAT RUSSO WAS GOING TO SAY. SCIAMBRA SAID HE KNEW ABOUT WHAT RUSSO WAS GOING TO SAY BECAUSE OF NEWSPAPER ARTICLES SCIAMBRA HAD READ.

SCIAMBRA TESTIFIED THAT RUSSO DID NOT HAVE ANY TROUBLE IDENTIFYING A PHOTOGRAPH OF LEE HARVEY OSWALD AS FERRIE'S ROOMMATE BUT DID WANT OSWALD'S PHOTOGRAPH ALTERED SO THAT OSWALD WOULD HAVE THE SAME PHYSICAL APPEARANCE OF FERRIE'S ROOMMATE AS RUSSO

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REMEMBERED HIM. THIS INCLUDED A BEARD AND A GENERALLY DISHEVELED APPEARANCE.

SCIAMBRA TESTIFIED HE BURNED THE NOTES OF HIS INTERVIEW WITH RUSSO TO PREVENT ANY QUOTE LEAKING OUT UNQUOTE OF INFORMATION FROM THE D.A.'S OFFICE.

SCIAMBRA TESTIFIED HE ARRANGED FOR THE INTERVIEW BETWEEN RUSSO AND JAMES PHELAN OF THE SATURDAY EVENING POST MAGAZINE WITH THE APPROVAL OF D.A. GARRISON AND GARRISON ORDERED THAT THIS INTERVIEW SHOULD BE TAPED. SCIAMBRA REFERRED TO PHELAN AS A QUOTE JOURNALISTIC PROSTITUTE UNQUOTE BECAUSE OF WHAT SCIAMBRA TERMED PHELAN'S INABILITY TO OBJECTIVELY REPORT THE RESULTS OF HIS INTERVIEW WITH RUSSO. SCIAMBRA TESTIFIED THAT PHELAN WARNED RUSSO HE WAS GOING TO BECOME A QUOTE PATSY UNQUOTE IF SHAW WAS NOT CONVICTED OF CONSPIRACY AND THAT IF THIS HAPPENED, D.A. GARRISON WOULD TURN ON RUSSO.

THE PROSECUTION THEN CALLED R. C. ROLLAND, WHO IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS A PROFESSIONAL ICE SKATER AND PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER OF THE WINTEERLAND ICE SKATING RINK IN HOUSTON, TEXAS.

ROLLAND TESTIFIED HE SAW DAVID FERRIE AND TWO MALE COMPANIONS

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COME TO HIS SKATING RINK ON NOVEMBER TWENTYTHREE, NINETEEN SIXTY-THREE, THE DAY AFTER THE ASSASSINATION. HE TESTIFIED THAT FERRIE HAD TELEPHONED HIM SEVERAL DAYS PRIOR TO NOVEMBER TWENTYTHREE, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE TO INFORM ROLLAND THAT HE WAS COMING TO THE ICE SKATING RINK. ROLLAND SAID HE CONSIDERED THIS TO BE AN UNUSI PROCEDURE AND THIS WAS THE REASON THAT HE REMEMBERED FERRIE SO WI WHILE AT THE RINK FERRIE MADE A QUOTE PEST OF HIMSELF UNQUOTE AN ON AT LEAST FOUR OR FIVE SEPARATE OCCASIONS CAME OVER AND INTRO-DUCED HIMSELF TO ROLLAND. HE TESTIFIED FERRIE DID NOT PURCHAS TICKET OF ADMISSION AND DID NOT ICE SKATE AND REMAINED IN THE M LOBBY AREA OF THE RINK AND REPEATEDLY USED A PUBLIC TELEPHONE IN THE LOBBY. ROLLAND TESTIFIED THAT FERRIE RECEIVED ONE CALL AT T TELEPHONE BUT THAT HE COULD NOT OVERHEAR ANY OF FERRIE'S CONVER TION. FERRIE INTRODUCED HIS TWO COMPANIONS BUT ROLLAND COULD NO RECALL THEIR NAMES.

ROLLAND TESTIFIED THAT FERRIE LEFT THE SKATING RINK ABOUT FIVE FORTYFIVE P.M., HOWEVER PRIOR TO LEAVING TOLD ROLLAND THAT WOULD BE BACK LATER BUT FERRIE NEVER RETURNED. ROLLAND TESTIFI THAT HE REPORTED THIS INCIDENT TO THE FBI AND WAS INTERVIEWED B

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UPON CROSS EXAMINATION BY THE DEFENSE, ROLLAND TESTIFIED THAT HE WAS INITIALLY CONTACTED BY THE D.A.'S OFFICE AND INTERVIEWED BY ASSISTANT D.A. SCIAMBRA. HE COULD NOT RECALL THE DATE OF THIS INITIAL CONTACT BUT THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE IN SIXTYFOUR, HOWEVER IT WAS BROUGHT OUT THAT SCIAMBRA HAS ONLY BEEN EMPLOYED BY THE D. A.'S OFFICE SINCE NINETEEN SIXTYSIX. THE DEFENSE THEN QUESTIONED ROLLAND ABOUT FERRIE'S PHYSICAL APPEARANCE AND CLOTHING AND ALSO ABOUT THE PHYSICAL APPEARANCE OF FERRIE'S COMPANIONS. ROLLAND TESTIFIED THAT HE OBSERVED FERRIE USING THE PUBLIC TELEPHONE ON ABOUT THREE OCCASIONS. HE WAS ALSO QUESTIONED ABOUT FERRIE'S BEHAVIOR WHILE AT THE SKATING RINK.

THE NEXT PROSECUTION WITNESS WAS IDENTIFIED AS RICHARD W. JACKSON, AN EMPLOYEE OF THE U. S. POST OFFICE AT NEW ORLEANS. JACKSON TESTIFIED THAT IN SEPTEMBER, NINETEEN SIXTYSIX, HE FILLED OUT A CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM REGARDING MAIL FOR CLAY L. SHAW ADDRESSED TO SHAW'S RESIDENCE AT THIRTEEN THIRTEEN DAUPHINE WHICH WAS BEING DELIVERED TO FOURTEEN FOURTEEN CHARTRES AND SHOULD BE CHANGED BACK TO THE DAUPHINE STREET ADDRESS.

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THE NEXT PROSECUTION WITNESS WAS IDENTIFIED AS JAMES HARDIMAN, AN EMPLOYEE OF THE U. S. POST OFFICE, NEW ORLEANS, WHO STATED THAT HE HAS BEEN DELIVERING MAIL TO THE FOURTEEN FOURTEEN CHARTRES ST. ADDRESS FOR FIFTEEN YEARS. HE TESTIFIED THAT IN NINETEEN SIXTYSIX WHEN THE MAIL OF CLAY L. SHAW WAS BEING DELIVERED TO FOURTEEN FOURTEEN CHARTRES STREET, HE DELIVERED SEVERAL LETTERS ADDRESSED TO QUOTE CLEM BERTRAND UNQUOTE TO THE SAME ADDRESS. HE TESTIFIED HE COULD NOT RECALL HOW MANY LETTERS HE HAD DELIVERED CONTAINING THE NAME OF CLEM BERTRAND BUT IT WAS ENOUGH SO THAT HE REMEMBERED THIS NAME WHEN IT APPEARED IN THE NEWS IN NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN. HARDIMAN TESTIFIED THAT HE NEVER NOTICED ANY OF THE RETURN ADDRESSES ON THESE LETTERS AND THAT TO HIS KNOWLEDGE NONE OF THE MAIL ADDRESSED TO CLEM BERTRAND AT THE CHARTRES STREET ADDRESS WAS EVER RETURNED.

ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLES, IT WAS NOT BROUGHT OUT IF THE CLEM BERTRAND LETTERS WERE ADDRESSED TO SHAW'S DAUPHINE STREET ADDRESS AND RE-DELIVERED TO THE CHARTRES ADDRESS OR IF THEY WERE ADDRESSED TO THE CHARTRES STREET ADDRESS.

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INDICATED THAT ITS CROSS EXAMINATION MIGHT BE LENGTHY.

NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

NEW ORLEANS INDICES CONTAIN NO INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE WITH RICHARD W. JACKSON OR JAMES HARDIMAN, MENTIONED ABOVE. RESULTS OF FBI INTERVIEWS WITH ROLLAND PREVIOUSLY REPORTED.

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